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Nineteenth Day

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by the Honorable Joseph A. Montalbano, President of the Senate, at 4:22 o'clock P.M.

The roll is called and a quorum is declared present with 37 Senators present and 1 Senator absent as follows:

PRESENT – 37: The Honorable President Montalbano and Senators Algiere, Badeau, Bates, Blais, Breene, Caprio, Ciccone, Connors, Cote, Damiani, DaPonte, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, Lanzi, Lenihan, Levesque, McBurney, McCaffrey, Metts, Paiva Weed, Perry, Pichardo, Polisena, Raptakis, Revens, Roberts, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

ABSENT – 1: Senator Alves.

INVOCATION

The Honorable President, by unanimous consent, presents Senator Felag, to deliver the invocation.

(See Appendix for Invocation)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

The Honorable President, by unanimous consent, presents Senator Felag, to lead the Senate in the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

APPROVAL OF RECORD

The Senate Journal of Tuesday, February 15, 2005 and Wednesday, February 16, 2005 proceedings is read in part.

Upon suggestion of Senator Felag, and by unanimous consent, further reading of the Journal is dispensed with and the Journal approved as recorded.

GUESTS

Upon suggestion of Senator Doyle and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President welcomes to the Chamber his wife Jackie Doyle.

Upon suggestion of Senator Gallo and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President welcomes to the Chamber Frank J. Faubert.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE GOVERNOR

The Honorable President presents the following communication from His Excellency, the Governor, transmitting the following appointments and requesting the advice and consent of the Senate thereto:

February 14, 2005

TO THE HONORABLE, THE SENATE

I have the honor to inform you that in accordance with the provisions of Section 42-6-3 of the Rhode Island General Laws, I have made the following appointments as Director of the Department of Mental Health, Retardation and Hospitals:

Kathleen M. Spangler

VICE

Jane Hayward

To this appointment, I respectfully request your advice and consent.

Sincerely,

Donald L. Carcieri

Governor

Read and referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

COMMUNICATION

The Honorable President presents the following communication:

February 17, 2005

TO THE HONORABLE, THE SENATE:

I am hereby withdrawing the January 4, 2005 appointment of Barry Hittner to the Rhode Island Lottery Commission

Sincerely,

Donald L. Carcieri

Governor

Read and ordered to be placed on file.

Also:

Dear members RI Senate State of RI:

On behalf of the family of the late Senator William Zuccarelli we wish to thank you for praising and celebrating his life. He loved this beautiful state and his involvement with all of you.

Sincerely

Sandra Gasbarro

Diana Kahn

Read and ordered to be placed on file.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, HOUSING AND MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT

Senator Caprio, from the Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government, reports back, with recommendation of passage of the following measures:

Reappointment of James R. Carlson of Foster to the board of Registration and Examination of Architects for a term expiring April 1, 2009.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar

Also:

Reappointment of Wilbur E. Yoder, AIA, PE of East Greenwich VICE Andrew Yates to the board of Registration and Examination of Architects for a term expiring April 1, 2009.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar

Reappointment of Dana Newbrook of Cumberland to the board of Registration and Examination of Architects for a term expiring April 1, 2009.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar

Also:

Reappointment of Denise A. Barge of Cranston to the Rhode Island Housing and Mortgage Finance Corporation for a term to expire July 1, 2008.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar

COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTIONAL AND GAMING ISSUES

Senator Goodwin, from the Committee on Constitutional and Gaming Issues, reports back, with recommendation of passage of the following measure:

Senate Bill No. 99 SUB A

BY Senators Raptakis, Blais, Breene, Polisena, Paiva-Weed **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- RETAIL LICENSES

Senator Raptakis requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Raptakis moves passage, seconded by Senators Breene, Damiani and Tassoni.

The act is read and passed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote with 34 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS- 34: The Honorable President Montalbano and Senators Algiere, Badeau, Bates, Blais, Breene, Caprio, Ciccone, Cote, Damiani, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Lanzi, Lenihan, Levesque, McBurney, McCaffrey, Metts, Paiva Weed, Perry, Pichardo, Polisena, Raptakis, Revens, Roberts, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

Senator Issa, from the Committee on Education, reports back, with recommendation of passage of the following measures:

Appointment of Andrea Valentini of Cranston VICE Kenneth Carpenter (resigned) to the Rhode Island State Council on the Arts for a term expiring March 1, 2006.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar

Appointment of Joan Ress Reeves of Providence (Representing General Library Users) VICE Joan Ankner to the Library Board of Rhode Island for a term expiring December 31, 2006.

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Read and ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar

Also:

Appointment of Regina A. Connor of Providence (Representing Users of the Regional Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped to the Library Board of Rhode Island for a term expiring December 31, 2006.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar

Also:

Reappointment of Mark McKenney of Providence (Public Member) to the Library Board of Rhode Island for a term expiring December 31, 2006.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar

Also:

Reappointment of Alice Barrows of Cranston (Representing General Library Users) to the Library Board of Rhode Island for a term expiring December 31, 2006.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar

Also:

Appointment of Peter V. Deekle of Providence (Representing Academic Librarians) to the Library Board of Rhode Island for a term expiring December 31, 2007.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar

Also:

Reappointment of Tovah Reis of North Providence (Representing librarians from corporate or special libraries) to the Library Board of Rhode Island for a term expiring December 31, 2007.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar

Also:

Reappointment of Patrick Guida of Barrington to the Board of Regents for Elementary and Secondary Education for a term expiring January 31, 2007.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar

Appointment of Karin L. Fobes of North Kingstown VICE Vidal P. Perez (resigned) to the Board of Regents for Elementary and Secondary Education for a term expiring January 31, 2007.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar

COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND AGRICULTURE

Senator Sosnowski, from the Committee on Environment and Agriculture, reports back, with recommendation of passage of the following measure:

Appointment of Francis J. Perry, Jr. of Coventry (Public Member) VICE John Milano (resigned) to the Water Resources Board for a term expiring March 1, 2005.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar

Also:

Reappointment of William Penn of Block Island (Public Member) to the Water Resources Board for a term expiring March 1, 2007.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar

Also:

Reappointment of George S. Allen of Portsmouth (Representing Recreational Fishing) to the Marine Fisheries Council for a term expiring April 1, 2008.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar

FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

A message from the House of Representatives transmits with announcement of passage, of the following measures:

House Bill No. 5576 as amended

BY Lewiss

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- RETAIL LICENSES

Senator Goodwin requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Goodwin moves passage, seconded by Senator Raptakis.

The act is read and passed, by unanimous consent, in concurrence, upon a roll call vote with 34 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS- 34: The Honorable President Montalbano and Senators Algiere, Badeau, Bates, Blais, Breene, Caprio, Ciccone, Cote, Damiani, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Lanzi, Lenihan, Levesque, McBurney, McCaffrey, Metts, Paiva Weed, Perry, Pichardo, Polisena, Raptakis, Revens, Roberts, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

NEW BUSINESS

Senate Bill No. 707

BY Senators Roberts, Perry, Gallo, Blais

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO UNIFORM CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 708 (by request)

BY Senator McCaffrey

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- BALLOT QUESTION ADVOCACY AND REPORTING.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 709

BY Senators Badeau, Tassoni, Ruggerio, Ciccone, Polisena **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS -- SUPERIOR COURT.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 710

BY Senators Perry, Polisena, Damiani, McCaffrey, Sosnowski **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS -- THE RHODE ISLAND MEDICAL MARIJUANA ACT

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 711 (Governor)

BY Senator Blais

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLES -- SEAT BELT USE.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Senate Bill No. 712

BY Senators Tassoni, McBurney, Doyle, Cote, Metts

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- OPERATORS' AND CHAUFFEURS' LICENSES.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 713

BY Senators Blais, Polisena, Breene, Roberts, McCaffrey

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- UNIFORM ANATOMICAL GIFT ACT.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 714

BY Senators Perry, Sosnowski, Roberts

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- RHODE ISLAND CLEAN ELECTIONS ACT

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 715

BY Senators Damiani, Polisena, Sosnowski

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CAMPUS SECURITY.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 716 (Attorney General)

BY Senators Damiani, Polisena, Sosnowski

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 717

BY Senators Damiani, Polisena

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- WEAPONS.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Senate Bill No. 718

BY Senators Damiani, Polisena, Sosnowski

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL LAW.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 719

BY Senators Pichardo, Doyle, Gallo, Connors, Felag

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- REGISTRATION OF VOTERS.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 720

BY Senator Lenihan

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CAUSES OF ACTION.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 721

BY Senators Felag, Paiva-Weed

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- CHILDREN.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 722

BY Senators Damiani, Polisena, Sosnowski

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 723

BY Senators Tassoni, Doyle, McBurney

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO THE NATIONAL GUARD.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 724 (Governor)

BY Senator Blais

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- CITIZENS' COMMISSION FOR THE SAFETY AND CARE OF THE ELDERLY.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 725

BY Senators Damiani, Polisena, Sosnowski

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 726

BY Senators Pichardo, Doyle, Gallo, Connors, Felag

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- REGISTRATION OF VOTERS.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 727

BY Senators Perry, Sosnowski, Goodwin, Roberts, Gallo

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- SEXUAL ASSAULT.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 728

BY Senators Polisena, Damiani

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- ASSAULTS

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 729

BY Senators Polisena, Roberts, Sosnowski, Damiani, Issa

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE - MEDICAL MALPRACTICE.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

BY Senator Blais

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 731 (Attorney General)

BY Senator Damiani

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO WEAPONS - PERMITS.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 732 (Governor)

BY Senator Blais

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLES -- RHODE ISLAND UNIFORM COMMERCIAL DRIVER'S LICENSE ACT.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 733

BY Senators Sosnowski, Perry

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO COMMERCIAL LAW -- UNFAIR SALES PRACTICES.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 734

BY Senators Polisena, Damiani

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- ASSAULTS

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 735

BY Senator Levesque C

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

BY Senators Pichardo, Doyle, Gallo, Connors, Felag

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- REGISTRATION OF VOTERS.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 737

BY Senators Damiani, Polisena, Raptakis, Sosnowski **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- ADMINISTRATION OF STATE DEPARTMENTS.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 738

BY Senators Damiani, Polisena, Sosnowski

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- ARREST.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Resolution No. 739

BY Senators Perry, Goodwin, Metts, Pichardo, Ciccone **ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF DR. MELVYN GELCH.

Senator Perry requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Perry moves passage, seconded by the entire Senate.

The resolution is read and passed, upon a rising vote.

Also:

Senate Resolution No. 792

BY Senators Blais, Gibbs, Breene, Algiere

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION MEMORIALIZING THE CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION OF THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND TO PASS A PERMANENT BAN ON INTERNET ACCESS TAXES

Senator Blais requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Blais moves passage, seconded by Senator Breene.

The resolution is read and passed, upon a voice vote.

Also:

Senate Resolution No. 793

BY Senators Badeau, McBurney, Ruggerio ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHIES AND CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF SUZANNE M. DAVIGNON.

Senator Badeau requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Badeau moves passage, seconded by the entire Senate.

The resolution is read and passed, upon a rising vote.

Also:

Senate Resolution No. 794

BY Senators Paiva-Weed, Gibbs

ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION THANKING GLENN ROSE FOR HIS 34 YEARS OF DEDICATED AND DEVOTED SERVICE TO THE BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB OF NEWPORT COUNTY.

Senator Paiva Weed requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Paiva Weed moves passage, seconded by the entire Senate.

The resolution is read and passed, upon a voice vote.

CALENDAR

IN ORDER FOR THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2005:

1 Reappointment of Monica Horan of Lincoln to the Commission on Judicial Tenure and Discipline for a term expiring April 1, 2006.

Committee on Judiciary recommends that the Senate give its Advice and Consent to this reappointment.

Upon motion of Senator McCaffrey, seconded by Senators Polisena, Damiani, Blais and Algiere and by unanimous consent, the confirmation of the Senate is given this appointment, upon a roll call vote with 33 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS- 33: The Honorable President Montalbano and Senators Algiere, Badeau, Bates, Blais, Breene, Caprio, Ciccone, Cote, Damiani, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Lanzi, Lenihan, Levesque, McBurney, McCaffrey, Metts, Paiva Weed, Pichardo, Polisena, Raptakis, Revens, Roberts, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

2 Appointment of Robert H. Breslin, Jr., Esquire (Rhode Island Bar Association Seat) of Saunderstown VICE Louis M. Pulner, Esquire to the Commission on Judicial Tenure and Discipline for a term expiring April 1, 2007.

Committee on Judiciary recommends that the Senate give its Advice and Consent to this appointment.

Upon motion of Senator McCaffrey, seconded by Senators Revens, Blais, Damiani, Polisena, Ruggerio, Perry, Sheehan, Badeau and others, and by unanimous consent, the confirmation of the Senate is given this appointment, upon a roll call vote with 34 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS- 34: The Honorable President Montalbano and Senators Algiere, Badeau, Bates, Blais, Breene, Caprio, Ciccone, Cote, Damiani, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Lanzi, Lenihan, Levesque, McBurney, McCaffrey, Metts, Paiva Weed, Perry, Pichardo, Polisena, Raptakis, Revens, Roberts, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

3 Appointment of Christopher F. Koller of Rumford as Health Insurance Commissioner.

Committee on Health & Human Services recommends that the Senate give its Advice and Consent to this appointment.

Upon motion of Senator Damiani, seconded by Senators Roberts, Blais, Levesque, Gibbs, Sosnowski, Felag, Perry, Ruggerio, Pichardo and many others, and by unanimous consent, the confirmation of the Senate is given this appointment, upon a roll call vote with 34 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS- 34: The Honorable President Montalbano and Senators Algiere, Badeau, Bates, Blais, Breene, Caprio, Ciccone, Cote, Damiani, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Lanzi, Lenihan, Levesque, McBurney, McCaffrey, Metts, Paiva Weed, Perry, Pichardo, Polisena, Raptakis, Revens, Roberts, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS-0:

GUESTS

Upon suggestion of Senator Damiani and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President welcomes to the Chamber Christopher F. Koller, his wife Colette Cook, Daughter Rachael Koller and his son Ben Koller.

Upon suggestion of Senator Roberts and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President welcomes to the Chamber Brenda Whittle and Alison Croke.

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BY Fogarty P

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO THE TOWN OF BURRILLVILLE

Committee on Commerce, Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

Senator Fogarty moves passage, seconded by Senators Gallo, Levesque and Tassoni.

The act is read and passed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote with 33 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS- 33: The Honorable President Montalbano and Senators Algiere, Badeau, Bates, Blais, Breene, Caprio, Ciccone, Cote, Damiani, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Lanzi, Lenihan, Levesque, McBurney, McCaffrey, Metts, Paiva Weed, Perry, Pichardo, Polisena, Raptakis, Revens, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

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BY Fogarty P

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO THE TOWN OF GLOCESTER

Committee on Commerce, Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

Senator Fogarty moves passage, seconded by Senator Levesque.

The act is read and passed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote with 33 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS- 33: The Honorable President Montalbano and Senators Algiere, Badeau, Bates, Blais, Breene, Caprio, Ciccone, Cote, Damiani, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Lanzi, Lenihan, Levesque, McBurney, McCaffrey, Metts, Paiva Weed, Perry, Pichardo, Polisena, Raptakis, Revens, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

6 2005-S 155 SUB A as amended

BY Badeau

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE -- COURTS

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Committee on Judiciary recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A as amended.

Senator Badeau, moves passage, seconded by Senators Lanzi, Ciccone, Paiva Weed, Ruggerio, McCaffrey and Levesque.

Senator Badeau, seconded by Senators Lanzi, Ciccone, Paiva Weed, Ruggerio, McCaffrey and Levesque, offers the following written motion to amend.

2005 -- S 155 SUBSTITUTE A

AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE – COURTS

Mr. President:

I hereby move to amend 2005 -- S 155 SUBSTITUTE A, entitled "AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE -- COURTS", as follows:

On page 1, line 15, after the words "superior court" by adding the words "with the advice and consent of the senate".

Respectfully submitted, SENATOR BADEAU

The motion to amend prevails upon a roll call vote with 34 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS- 34: The Honorable President Montalbano and Senators Algiere, Badeau, Bates, Blais, Breene, Caprio, Ciccone, Cote, Damiani, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Lanzi, Lenihan, Levesque, McBurney, McCaffrey, Metts, Paiva Weed, Perry, Pichardo, Polisena, Raptakis, Revens, Roberts, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

Senator Badeau, moves passage of the act as amended, seconded by Senators Lanzi, Ciccone, Paiva Weed, Ruggerio, McCaffrey and Levesque.

The act is read and passed, by unanimous consent, as amended, upon a roll call vote with 34 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS- 34: The Honorable President Montalbano and Senators Algiere, Badeau, Bates, Blais, Breene, Caprio, Ciccone, Cote, Damiani, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Lanzi, Lenihan, Levesque, McBurney, McCaffrey, Metts, Paiva Weed, Perry, Pichardo, Polisena, Raptakis, Revens, Roberts, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

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BY Pacheco

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO THE TOWN OF BURRILLVILLE

Committee on Commerce, Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage in concurrence.

Senator Fogarty, moves passage, seconded by Senators Gallo, Levesque and Tassoni.

The act is read and passed, by unanimous consent, in concurrence, upon a roll call vote with 34 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS- 34: The Honorable President Montalbano and Senators Algiere, Badeau, Bates, Blais, Breene, Caprio, Ciccone, Cote, Damiani, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Lanzi, Lenihan, Levesque, McBurney, McCaffrey, Metts, Paiva Weed, Perry, Pichardo, Polisena, Raptakis, Revens, Roberts, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS-0:

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Senator Bates announces that the Committee on Financial Services, Technology and Regulatory Issues will meet today, at the rise of the Senate, in the Senate Lounge of the State House.

TRANSMITTAL

By unanimous consent, all matters on the Clerk's desk are ordered to be transmitted to His Excellency, the Governor or to the Honorable House of Representatives forthwith.

RECESS

Upon motion of Senator Ruggerio, seconded by Senator Algiere, and upon suggestion of Senator Ruggerio, the Senate stands at recess at 4:54 o'clock P.M. in memory of our dear friend and colleague Suzanne Davignon, a Senate staff member for over two decades. Her Laughter, Kindness and Professionalism will always be remembered.

CALL TO ORDER

The Senate is called to order at 4:11 o'clock P.M. on Tuesday, March 1, 2005 by the Honorable Joseph A. Montalbano, President of the Senate.

NEW BUSINESS

Senate Bill No. 795

BY Senator Issa

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- LICENSING AND MONITORING OF CHILD CARE PROVIDERS (permit child day care programs in an elementary school without the necessity of a separate fire, building, or radon inspection certificate).

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Health and Human Services

Also:

Senate Bill No. 796

BY Senators Polisena, Damiani

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT --

CORRECTIONS DEPARTMENT (director of corrections to conduct a hearing and submit an economic impact analysis prior to change of security classification).

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 797

BY Senators Damiani, Polisena, Sosnowski

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO WATERS AND NAVIGATION -- HARBOR AND HARBOR LINES (require all harbor master to attend either a state or municipal police academy).

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government

Also:

Senate Bill No. 798

BY Senators Badeau, Lanzi, Ciccone, Connors

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE AND DISCIPLINE -- SELF REFERRAL (regulation of patient self-referral by medical practitioners in order to better manage medical service utilization).

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Health and Human Services

BY Senators Polisena, Damiani, Raptakis

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CORRECTIONS DEPARTMENT (supervision, custody & control of persons detained or confined by the dept. of corrections would be performed exclusively by the state of RI).

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Labor

Also:

Senate Bill No. 800

BY Senators Polisena, Damiani

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- CORRECTIONS DEPARTMENT.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Labor

Also:

Senate Bill No. 801

BY Senators Paiva-Weed, Gibbs, Alves, Roberts **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH CARE FOR ELDERLY AND DISABLED RESIDENTS (establish a managed health care program for adults with disabilities).

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Health and Human Services

Also:

Senate Bill No. 802 (Health)

BY Senators Blais, Gibbs

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATUTES AND STATUTORY CONSTRUCTION -- HEALTH AND SAFETY.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Health and Human Services

Also:

Senate Bill No. 803 (by request)

BY Senator Paiva-Weed

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION-HEALTH AND SAFETY OF PUPILS (addressing an incidence of hypoglycemia).

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Health and Human Services

BY Senators Gallo, Walaska, Fogarty P, Felag, Levesque C **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- THE HOSPITAL INFECTIONS DISCLOSURE ACT.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Health and Human Services

Also:

Senate Bill No. 805

BY Senators Tassoni, Roberts, Polisena, Ciccone **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -CATASTROPHIC HEALTH INSURANCE PLAN ACT.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Health and Human Services

Also:

Senate Bill No. 806

BY Senators Paiva-Weed, Levesque C, Gallo, Polisena, Lanzi **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- THE PHARMACEUTICAL PRUDENT PURCHASING AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT (make various state drug benefit programs more cost effective).

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Health and Human Services

Also:

Senate Bill No. 807 (Health)

BY Senator Gibbs

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS -- MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELORS AND MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS (corrections to the clinical mental health counseling).

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Health and Human Services

Also:

Senate Bill No. 808

BY Senators Damiani, Polisena, Sosnowski

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS INSURANCE POLICIES (health insurance policies include coverage for prosthetic devices).

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Health and Human Services

Senate Bill No. 809 (Governor)

BY Senators Blais, Gibbs

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- NURSING HOMES.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Health and Human Services

Also:

Senate Bill No. 810 (Health)

BY Senators Blais, Gibbs

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- TRAUMA CENTERS.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Health and Human Services

Also:

Senate Bill No. 811

BY Senators Levesque C, Roberts, Perry, Pichardo

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES -- HEALTH CARE FOR FAMILIES (annual report information concerning persons who apply for benefits through RIte-Care, etc.).

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Health and Human Services

Also:

Senate Bill No. 812

BY Senators Roberts, Perry, Pichardo

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- DENTISTS AND DENTAL HYGIENISTS (injectable oral local anesthesia).

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Health and Human Services

Also:

Senate Bill No. 813

BY Senators Perry, Roberts, Pichardo, Goodwin

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS - SURGICAL TECHNOLOGISTS.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Health and Human Services

Also:

Senate Bill No. 814

BY Senators Damiani, Polisena

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE (health insurance policies include coverage for the purchase of prosthetic devices).

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Health and Human Services

Senate Bill No. 815

BY Senators Alves, McBurney, Doyle, Issa, Walaska

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES -- ALL-INCLUSIVE CARE FOR THE ELDERLY (authorize and initiate a state program for all-inclusive care for the elderly).

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Health and Human Services

Also:

Senate Bill No. 816

BY Senators Roberts, Gibbs, Tassoni, Perry

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- NONPROFIT HOSPITAL AND MEDICAL SERVICE CORPORATIONS (permit physicians to serve on committees dealing with physician reimbursement).

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Health and Human Services

Also:

Senate Bill No. 817

BY Senators Roberts, Gallo, Alves

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- THE HEALTH INSURANCE PRUDENT PURCHASING ACT (utilize specialized health benefits expertise to design a request for proposal for state employee benefit contracts with health insurers).

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Health and Human Services

Also:

Senate Bill No. 818

BY Senator McCaffrey

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO COASTAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT COUNCIL.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Finance

Also:

Senate Bill No. 819

BY Senator Badeau

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- UNDERGROUND UTILITY CONTRACTORS (establish a licensing procedure for underground utility contractors).

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Labor

BY Senators Gallo, Tassoni, Walaska

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- CONFIDENTIALITY OF HEALTH CARE COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION ACT.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 821

BY Senators Ruggerio, Sosnowski, Paiva-Weed, Doyle, Goodwin **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- REMOVAL OF MERCURY SWITCHES FROM END-OF-LIFE VEHICLES.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Environment and Agriculture

Also:

Senate Bill No. 822

BY Senator McCaffrey

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CORPORATIONS, ASSOCIATIONS AND PARTNERSHIPS.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government

Also:

Senate Bill No. 823

BY Senators Connors, Montalbano J

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- HISTORIAN LAUREATE OF RHODE ISLAND (establish the position of Historian Laureate in Rhode Island).

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Constitutional and Gaming Issues

Also:

Senate Bill No. 824

BY Senator Connors

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO NAMING A BUILDING, BRIDGE, EDIFICE AND OTHER STATE CONSTRUCTION ("Shun Pike.").

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Constitutional and Gaming Issues

Senate Bill No. 825

BY Senators Tassoni, Fogarty P, Lanzi, Badeau

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Constitutional and Gaming Issues

Senate Bill No. 826

BY Senators Sosnowski, Perry, Pichardo, Felag, Paiva-Weed ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- ELECTRONIC WASTE PRODUCER RESPONSIBILITY (producers of electronic products).

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Environment and Agriculture

Also:

Senate Bill No. 827

BY Senator Montalbano J

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION (allow a city or town confronted with an emergency which requires a tax increase to address the levy).

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Finance

Also:

Senate Bill No. 828

BY Senators Felag, Ruggerio, Paiva-Weed, Goodwin, McCaffrey **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SALES AND USE TAX (meal tax to increase by one percent).

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Finance

Also:

Senate Bill No. 829

BY Senators Pichardo, Connors, Metts, Ciccone, Roberts ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BOARD OF GOVERNORS FOR HIGHER EDUCATION (instate tuition rates).

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Finance

Also:

Senate Bill No. 830

BY Senator Gibbs

ENTITLED. AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- ESTABLISHMENT OF CHARTER SCHOOLS.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Finance

BY Senators McBurney, Levesque C, Paiva-Weed, Alves, Pichardo **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT (private community-based organizations with an annual contractual adjustment based upon the average annual percentage prescribed by the CMS Home Health Market Basket Index).

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Finance

Also:

Senate Bill No. 832

BY Senator Sosnowski

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- MOTOR FUEL TAX (distributor to manufacturers who use fuels).

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Finance

Also:

Senate Bill No. 833

BY Senators Paiva-Weed, Fogarty P, Gibbs

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION (amend laws for tax exempt artistic communities to include parts of Newport and Tiverton).

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Finance

Also:

Senate Bill No. 834

BY Senators Revens, McCaffrey, Walaska, Lenihan, Raptakis **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO THE CITY OF WARWICK -- ROADWAY IMPROVEMENT IMPACT FEES.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Finance

Also:

Senate Bill No. 835

BY Senators Pichardo, Levesque C, Metts, Connors, Sosnowski **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION -- RHODE ISLAND STATE ENERGY OFFICE (RISEO).

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Financial, Technology and Regulatory Issues

BY Senators Fogarty P, Tassoni, Felag, Gallo, Perry

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO RELOCATION OF UTILITY SERVICES -- PUBLIC UTILITIES-- EXCAVATION OF AND NEAR UNDERGROUND UTILITY FACILITIES

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Financial, Technology and Regulatory Issues

Also:

Senate Bill No. 837

BY Senator Alves

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS -- MOTOR CARRIERS OF PROPERTY (diesel fuel).

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Financial, Technology and Regulatory Issues

Also:

Senate Bill No. 838

BY Senators Gallo, Fogarty P, Walaska

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE - AUTHORIZING HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS TO NEGOTIATE WITH HEALTH CARE INSURERS AND PROVIDING FOR THE POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Health and Human Services

Also:

Senate Bill No. 839

BY Senators Lanzi, Badeau, Ciccone, Tassoni, Sosnowski
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- LICENSING
AND MONITORING OF CHILD CARE PROVIDERS AND CHILD-PLACING AGENCIES

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Health and Human Services

Also:

Senate Bill No. 840

BY Senators Perry, Sosnowski, Fogarty P, Roberts, Pichardo **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- COVERAGE FOR MENTAL ILLNESS AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Health and Human Services

BY Senator Connors

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Health and Human Services

Also:

Senate Bill No. 842

BY Senator Connors

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- LAW PRACTICE.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 843

BY Senator Connors

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS -- LIMITATIONS (work force development funds be used solely for work forces development).

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 844

BY Senator McCaffrey

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOVEREIGN IMMUNITY.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 845

BY Senators Blais, Polisena, Damiani

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO DOMESTIC RELATIONS -- DOMESTIC ABUSE PREVENTION

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 846

BY Senators Blais, Breene, Damiani

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO DOMESTIC RELATIONS -- PERSONS ELIGIBLE TO MARRY.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Senate Bill No. 847

BY Senators Roberts, Lenihan, Cote

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES -- CODE OF ETHICS (alter composition, governor's powers and nominations).

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 848

BY Senators Blais, Polisena, Damiani

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- WEAPONS.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 849

BY Senators Blais, Polisena, Damiani

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- WEAPONS (exempt certain persons from the weapons safety requirements).

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 850

BY Senators Perry, Sosnowski, Roberts, Pichardo, Bates **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- SAFE ACCESS TO MEDICAL AND RELIGIOUS FACILITIES ACT.

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 851

BY Senators Pichardo, Alves, Gallo, Perry, Levesque C

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES (documentation required for identification cards).

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

BY Senators Sosnowski, Felag, Damiani, Polisena

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES - TAXATION AND TOBACCO - DELIVERY AND SALE OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS (delivery and sale of cigarettes).

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 853

BY Senators Ruggerio, Gallo, Felag, Lanzi

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- PAYMENT OF WAGES (provide a private right of action to collect wages or benefits).

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Labor

Also:

Senate Bill No. 854

BY Senators Ruggerio, McBurney, Badeau, Lanzi, Damiani **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES -- MERIT SYSTEM (delineate the procedure and rules for the transfer of certain state employees within state government).

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Labor

Also:

Senate Bill No. 855

BY Senators Paiva-Weed, Pichardo, Ruggerio, Alves, Goodwin ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES -- AUTHORIZING PROVIDERS TO NEGOTIATE JOINTLY WITH THE DEPARTMENTS OF HUMAN SERVICES AND CHILDREN YOUTH AND FAMILIES (authorize family child care providers to engage in collective negotiations with DHS and DCYF).

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Labor

Also:

Senate Bill No. 856

BY Senator Gallo

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC PROPERTY AND WORKS -- ACTIONS AGAINST THE STATE ON HIGHWAY AND PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACTS (suit on behalf of subcontractor that supplied labor, materials or services on the same project).

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Labor

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES COMMITTEE ON FINANCIAL SERVICES, TECHNOLOGY AND REGULATORY ISSUES

Senator Walaska, from the Committee on Financial Services, Technology and Regulatory Issues, reports back, with recommendation of passage of the following measures:

Senate Bill No. 151 SUB A
BY Senators Walaska, Bates
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- UNFAIR COMPETITION AND PRACTICES (late fee imposed)

Committee recommends passage of Sub A

Also:

Senate Bill No. 210 SUB A
BY Senators Walaska, Bates
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- CONTINUING EDUCATION
REQUIREMENTS

Committee recommends passage of Sub A

FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

A message from the House of Representatives transmits with announcement of passage, of the following measures:

House Bill No. 5234

BY Lewiss

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO THE WATCH HILL FIRE DISTRICT

Read and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government.

Also:

House Bill No. 5664

BY Watson

ENTITLED, AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 1039 OF THE PUBLIC LAWS, 1902, ENTITLED "AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF AN IN ADDITION TO AN ACT ENTITLED AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF THE CHARTER OF THE FIRE ENGINE COMPANY IN EAST GREENWICH, PASSED AT THE JANUARY SESSION 1882" PASSED AT THE JANUARY 1902 SESSION.

Read and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion of Senator Polisena, seconded by Senator Levesque, the Senate adjourns at 4:12 o'clock P.M.

RAYMOND T. HOYAS, JR. Secretary of the Senate

INVOCATION

SENATOR WALTER S. FELAG JR.

Lord, today we express to You our gratitude and especially thank You for the many friendships we have formed and for the fruits of our efforts. As we depart from this chamber today, grant us your peace and grace. Enable us to enjoy the months ahead, ever mindful of Your presence in our lives. Amen.

Appendix

CONSENT CALENDAR

IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, MARCH 1, 2005:

- 1 Appointment of Andrea Valentini of Cranston VICE Kenneth Carpenter (resigned) to the Rhode Island State Council on the Arts for a term expiring March 1, 2006.
 - Committee on Education recommends that the Senate give its Advice and Consent to this appointment.
- **2** Appointment of Joan Ress Reeves (Representing General Library Users) of Providence VICE Joan Ankner to the Library Board of Rhode Island for a term expiring December 31, 2006...
 - Committee on Education recommends that the Senate give its Advice and Consent to this appointment.
- **3** Appointment of Regina A. Connor (Representing Users of the Regional Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped) of Providence VICE Donald Deignan to the Library Board of Rhode Island for a term expiring December 31, 2006.
 - Committee on Education recommends that the Senate give its Advice and Consent to this appointment.
- 4 Reappointment of Mark McKenney (Public Member) of Providence to the Library Board of Rhode Island for a term expiring December 31, 2006.
 - Committee on Education recommends that the Senate give its Advice and Consent to this reappointment.
- **5** Reappointment of Alice Barrows (Representing General Library Users) of Cranston to the Library Board of Rhode Island for a term expiring December 31, 2006.
 - Committee on Education recommends that the Senate give its Advice and Consent to this reappointment.
- **6** Reappointment of Peter V. Deekle (Representing Academic Librarians) of Providence to the Library Board of Rhode Island for a term expiring December 31, 2007.
 - Committee on Education recommends that the Senate give its Advice and Consent to this reappointment.

- 7 Reappointment of Tovah Reis (Representing librarians from corporate or special libraries) of North Providence to the Library Board of Rhode Island for a term expiring December 31, 2007...
 - Committee on Education recommends that the Senate give its Advice and Consent to this reappointment.
- **8** Reappointment of Patrick Guida of Barrington to the Board of Regents for Elementary and Secondary Education for a term expiring January 31, 2007.
 - Committee on Education recommends that the Senate give its Advice and Consent to this reappointment.
- **9** Appointment of Karin L. Forbes of North Kingstown VICE Vidal P. Perez (resigned) to the Board of Regents for Elementary and Secondary Education for a term expiring January 31, 2007.
 - Committee on Education recommends that the Senate give its Advice and Consent to this appointment.
- 10 Appointment of Francis J. Perry, Jr. (Public Member) of Coventry VICE John Milano (resigned) to the Water Resources Board for a term expiring March 1, 2005.
 - Committee on Environment & Agriculture recommends that the Senate give its Advice and Consent to this appointment.
- 11 Reappointment of William Penn (Public Member) of Block Island to the Water Resources Board for a term expiring March 1, 2007.
 - Committee on Environment & Agriculture recommends that the Senate give its Advice and Consent to this reappointment.
- 12 Reappointment of George S. Allen (Representing Recreational Fishing) of Portsmouth to the Marine Fisheries Council for a term expiring April 1, 2008.
 - Committee on Environment & Agriculture recommends that the Senate give its
 - Advice and Consent to this reappointment.

Appendix

CALENDAR

IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, MARCH 1, 2005:

- 1 Appointment of Alton W. Wiley, Jr. of North Providence VICE Richard Ferland (resigned) to the Commission for Human Rights for a term expiring July 1, 2005.
 - Committee on Judiciary recommends that the Senate give its Advice and Consent to this appointment.
- **2** Reappointment of Iraida Williams of Providence to the Commission for Human Rights for a term expiring July 1, 2007.

Committee on Judiciary recommends that the Senate give its Advice and Consent to this reappointment.

IN ORDER FOR WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2, 2005:

- 1 Reappointment of James R. Carlson of Foster to the board of Registration and Examination of Architects for a term expiring April 1, 2009.
 - Committee on Commerce, Housing & Municipal Government recommends that the Senate give its Advice and Consent to this reappointment.
- 2 Reappointment of Wilbur E. Yoder, AIA, PE of East Greenwich VICE Andrew Yates to the board of Registration and Examination of Architects for a term expiring April 1, 2009.
 - Committee on Commerce, Housing & Municipal Government recommends that the Senate give its Advice and Consent to this reappointment.
- **3** Reappointment of Dana Newbrook of Cumberland to the board of Registration and Examination of Architects for a term expiring April 1, 2009.
 - Committee on Commerce, Housing & Municipal Government recommends that the Senate give its Advice and Consent to this reappointment.
- **4** Reappointment of Denise A. Barge of Cranston to the Rhode Island Housing and Mortgage Finance Corporation for a term to expire July 1, 2008.
 - Committee on Commerce, Housing & Municipal Government recommends that the Senate give its Advice and Consent to this reappointment.